## $\begin{array}{c} \text{GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA} \\ & \underline{\text{ABSTRACT}} \end{array}$

Telangana State Forest Conservation Act, 1980 – Diversion of **1.99 Ha** of forest land for setting up of Police/CRPF camp for anti-extremist operation duties in interstate bordering areas in Chennapuram (V) of Cherla (M), Bhadradri Kothagudem in favour of Superintendent of Police, Bhadradri Kothagudem District, Government of Telangana – **Final (Stage-II) approval** – Accorded - Orders - Issued.

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ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (FOR.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 136

Dated: 28-12-2022 Read the following:-

- 1.From the PCCF (HoFF), T.S. Hyd., Ref.No.2938/2021/FCA-4, Dated:12.10.2021.
- 2.Govt.Lr.No.3809/For.I(1)/2021, Dated:23.10.2021.
- 3.From Deputy Inspector General of Forests (Central), GoI, MoEF&CC, Integrated Regional Office, F.No.4-TSB227/2021-HYD/367, dt.11.02.2022.
- 4.From the PCCF(HoFF), T.S. Hyd. Ref.No.FC4/FC30/32/2022, dt:17.09.2022.
- 5.Govt. Lr.No.3809/For.I(1)/2021, Dated:12.10.2022.
- 6.From the Assistant Inspector General of Forests (Central), GoI, MoEF&CC, IRO, Hyd., F.No.4-TSB227/2021-HYD/820, Dt:28.11.2022.

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## ORDER

In the letter 1<sup>st</sup> read above, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Telangana State, Hyderabad has furnished a proposal for diversion of **1.99 Ha** of forest land for setting up of Police/CRPF camp for anti-extremist operation duties in interstate bordering areas in Chennapuram (V) of Cherla (M), Bhadradri Kothagudem in favour of Superintendent of Police, Bhadradri Kothagudem District, Government of Telangana.

- 2. In the letter 3<sup>rd</sup> read above, the Ministry of Environment & Forests GoI have granted in-principle (Stage-I) approval for the proposal forwarded vide letter 2<sup>nd</sup> read above, subject to fulfillment of the conditions stipulated thereof.
- 3. In the letter 5<sup>th</sup> read above, Government of Telangana have sent the report of compliance on the conditions stipulated by GoI, as submitted by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Telangana State, Hyderabad in her letter 4<sup>th</sup> read above, to the Ministry of Environment & Forests, IRO, Hyderabad, for according necessary approval.
- 4. In the letter 6<sup>th</sup> read above, the Central Government have granted final approval for the proposal in para 1 above, under Section 2 of the Forest (C) Act, 1980, subject to fulfillment of the conditions stipulated therein.
- 5. Accordingly, Government hereby accord **final (Stage-II)** approval for diversion of **1.99 Ha** of forest land for setting up of Police/CRPF camp for anti-extremist operation duties in interstate bordering areas in Chennapuram (V) of Cherla (M), Bhadradri Kothagudem in favour of Superintendent of Police, Bhadradri Kothagudem District, Government of Telangana State, under section-2 of the Forest Conservation Act, 1980, subject to fulfillment of the following conditions:-
  - I. Legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.

- II. State Forest Department shall carry out demarcation of the diverted forest area by erecting 4 feet high cement concrete pillars duly numbered at an interval of 20 meters from the amount which has already been realized from the User Agency and report compliance within 3 months from the date of issue of this letter. Work of the project should not start before the demarcation of proposed forest is completed.
- III. User Agency shall restrict the felling of trees to minimum numbers in the diverted forest land and trees shall be felled under strict supervision of the State Forest Department.
- IV. Compensatory / Afforestation shall be taken up by the Forest Department over 2.0 ha Degraded-Forest Land (DFL) identified in Compartment No.296 of Naramvarigudem RF of Dammapeta Range at the cost of the user agency. CA scheme prepared shall be with 10-year maintenance. Further, the proposed activity like cultural operation, protection works and SMC works shall be taken up by the Forest Department over 5 acres Non-Forest Land (NFL) handed over by the user agency to the forest department in Sy.No.349/1, Mandalapally village, Dammapeta Mandal of Paloncha division at the cost of the user agency. A mixture of local indigenous forestry species numbering to 2000 (minimum) shall be planted in the DFL and monoculture of any species shall be avoided. Additional amount required for CA area maintenance shall be realized from the user agency.
- V. The entire non-forest land proposed for CA over an extent of 5.00 acres (2.00 ha) in Sy.No.349/1, Mandalapally village, Dammapeta Mandal of Paloncha division for raising compensatory afforestation shall be notified as RF/PF within 6 months from the date of issue of Final Approval. A copy of the original notification declaring the non-forest land under Section 4 or Section 29 of the Indian Forest Act, 1927, or under the relevant section of the State Forest Act, shall be submitted to report the compliance of condition.
- VI. User Agency may raise strip plantation on both sides of the internal road within Police / CRPF Camp.
- VII. The complete compliance of the FRA, 2006 shall be ensured by way of prescribed certificate from the concerned District Collector.
- VIII. The concerned Divisional Forest Officer / FDO will monitor and take necessary mitigative measures to ensure that there is no adverse impact on the forests in the surrounding area.
  - IX. User Agency shall obtain Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of the Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986, if applicable.
  - X. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of Central Government.
  - XI. No labour camp shall be established on the forest land. Construction material shall not be dumped in the forest area.
- XII. No additional or new path shall be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.

- XIII. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal.
- XIV. The User Agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance of all the Court orders, provisions, rules, regulations, and guidelines for the time being in force as applicable to the project.
- XV. The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agency department, or person without prior approval of Govt. of India.
- XVI. In future, if the camp is not required for the police, the forest land may be handed over to forest department for raising plantation in the vacated land by the police department.
- XVII. Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as per the MoEF&CC Guideline F.No.11-42/2017-FC, dt.29.01.2018.
- XVIII. Any other condition that the Ministry of Environmental, Forests & Climate Change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife.
- 6. A condition wise compliance report on the above conditions shall be submitted by the state Government within 6 months from the date of issue of GoI letter.
- 7. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Telangana State, Hyderabad shall take necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF TELANGANA)

A.SANTHI KUMARI, SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

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The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Telangana State, Hyderabad.

## Copy to:

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Government of India, Ministry of Environment & Forests and Climate Change, #3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Aranya Bhawan, Saifabad, Hyderabad – 500004.

The Superintendent of Police, Bhadradri Kothagudem District. SC.

//FORWARDED :: BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER.